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Low Power FM Radio Stations:

It is a welcome opportunity for all neighborhood and community across the continental United States. As our population grows in a multicultural way, the need for Low Power FM Radio Stations to those villages and towns, it is in great demand and it is a real burden for Full Power FM Radio Stations.

* All these Full Power FM Radio Stations are doing successfully well with programing, however, it is necessary to protect Full Power and Low Power FM Radio Stations from interferences.

* Low Power FM Radio Stations should operate on a noncommercial bases, which enables the people to lend their support, and voices more effectively to their communities needs.

* Operators and facilities of Low Power FM Radio Stations, must meet FCC standards and closely be monitored by the FCC and Engineers.

* LP1000, LP100 and Microradio Stations are very significant to those communities.

* Low Power FM Radio Station Licenses should be granted to individuals with some experience in Radio and should live within the broadcast area of the Radio Station.

* Equipment should meet FCC standards and prices should be affordable. Our technology will lead us into the next millennium, feeling proud of our achievements.

Thank you for your consideration in the matter,

Truly

yours,

Desmond Plummer.

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ED FRITZ and NAB & CBS At There Best !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Subject:

News Release: CBS Sued for Giving Hispanics Half Pay Under Guise
of Aff. Action

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CAMPAIGN FOR A COLORBLIND AMERICA
LEGAL DEFENSE AND EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION
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NEWS RELEASE

Campaign Blasts CBS for Giving Hispanics Half Pay Under Guise of
Affirmative

Action: Blacklisted Hispanic Writer Files Landmark Lawsuit Against CBS
and
Writers Guild for \$138 Million

April 13, 1999 Contact: Marc Levin, (713) 626-0943 or (713)
906-1833

Houston, TX - The Campaign for a Colorblind America today blasted CBS
for
running a so-called "special access" program by which all Hispanic
writers
were forced into trainee positions which paid only half of the writers'
minimum wage that CBS negotiated with the Writers Guild of America west
(WGAw).

Migdia Chinaa-Varela, founder of the WGAw Latino Writers Committee, has
filed
suit against CBS and the WGAw for \$138.6 million dollars under the Equal

Protection Clause of the United States Constitution and Title VII of the
Federal Civil Rights Act.

Despite the fact that Varela had twenty years of writing experience and
credits on such well known programs as "Facts of Life," "Incredible
Hulk," and
"What's Happening Now," CBS automatically relegated her and other
Hispanic
writers to "trainee" positions that paid only half of the minimum wage

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for
writers specified in WGAw's contract with CBS.

Varela filed a complaint with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) on July 6, 1994. According to Ms. Varela's testimony before Congress in October 21, 1997, after the EEOC office in Los Angeles tentatively ruled that there was "cause," the EEOC's files were "whisked away" to Washington, D.C. "due to the 'sensitive nature' of her charges and the 'controversy surrounding affirmative action in California.'" This shift came shortly after a communication between CBS and/or the WGAw and the EEOC.

Following the EEOC's ultimate failure to act, Varela filed a class action suit (No.98-10064JSL) in the Central District of California United States District Court against CBS and WGAw on December 15, 1998. According to the suit, since complaining that the so-called CBS "special access" program is discriminatory and filing her grievance with the EEOC, Varela has been blacklisted by the Hollywood establishment. After having received scores of assignments for nearly twenty years, she hasn't received a single offer since filing her complaint with the EEOC.

Campaign for a Colorblind America Chairman Edward Blum stated, "This is a groundbreaking case, as it is one of the first in which a minority has challenged an affirmative action program. The Campaign for a Colorblind

America is outraged that CBS evidently subjected minorities to lower pay under the guise of affirmative action. This case shows that, rather than creating 'special access' programs, governments and corporations should simply treat all people equally without regard to race or ethnicity."

Campaign for a Colorblind America Executive Director Marc Levin added, "We applaud Ms. Varela for having the courage to stand up for equal employment opportunity."

The defense offered by CBS and WGAw is summarized in an April 6, 1999 letter from WGAw lawyer Mel Reich. It claims, "Varela does not have standing to challenge the affirmative action program since she is a member of the protected class."

However, Levin pointed out, "It is preposterous to argue that Ms. Varela should not be able to challenge a program that discriminates against her and other qualified Hispanics simply because the program's architects label it 'affirmative action.' While CBS, WGAW, and the EEOC may believe that insidious wage discrimination on the basis of ethnicity is permissible if it is billed as an affirmative action program, we are confident that the courts will conclude that the CBS "half pay" program for Hispanic writers violates civil rights law."

Although the Campaign for a Colorblind America seeks to raise awareness about this landmark case, it is not involved in the legal representation of Ms. Varela. She is represented by Scott D. Myer of the Myer Law Firm. He can be reached for comment on this case at (310) 277-3000 or at myerlaw@bestlawyer.com.

The Campaign for a Colorblind America is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization. Its Board of Directors includes nationally prominent civil rights activists, social scientists and legal scholars. The goal of the organization is to challenge race-based public policies and educate the public about the injustices of racial preferences. Since 1993, the Campaign has challenged racially gerrymandered voting districts and race-based admission policies in public schools.

For further information regarding the Campaign for a Colorblind America's views concerning this case, please contact Marc Levin at (713) 626-0943 or (713) 906-1833.

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Date 4-23-99
To;
Honorable Senators and Congressman:
FCC William Kennard and Commissioners:
Ed Fritz and the NAB:
Jeff Baumann of the NAB:

FRITZ AND NAB STILL SCAMING THE PUBLIC NOTHING BUT
"LOW LIFE"

NAB Real Media of Kennard's speech cuts out some of his LPFM comments

Topic: NAB Real Media of Kennard's speech cuts out
some of his
LPFM comments

Tonight I had the opportunity to view Bill Kennard's
speech. I
viewed it at 28.8 from the nab.org website. His LPFM
comments
begin at around the 23-24 minute mark. Funny thing -
at around
the 25 minute mark, right in the middle of his
comments on
LPFM, the stream reverts to a slide and some jazz
music and
around a minute or so later comes back to Commissioner
Kennard, after he is done talking about LPFM, of
course.
Go check it out.

Now THIS act of "convenience censorship" should be

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printed in
evidence
listeners.

boldface in EVERYONE'S comments to the FCC, as
refutine the NAB'S alleged "best intentions" for radio

If they're willing to make an obvious
ommission/alteration to a
other facts
public service
alterations as well.

video feed of the Chairman of the FCC, I expect any
and figures regarding technical studies and levels of
could very well be subjected to omissions and

obvious cut
about 27
point

Greg, I heard the same thing this afternoon. It's an
of his words.
True censorship! If anyone wants to confirm the cut is
minutes into the 42 m
overall presentation. Kennard started at about the 10 m
Jon

what a class act they are !

realaudio feed
here as he

I can just see Frittsie sitting in back watching the
on his laptop, thinking what the #*@&! is goin' on
orders the realaudio feed to be cut off ! ! ! ! ! ! !

ain't gonna have none o' that LPFM propaganda
takin' up mah bandwidth !

everyone imagine a universe where LPFM and the NAB are

one.....ommmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmm

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>>Subject: Community Powered Radio - PLEASE DISTRIBUTE!!!
 >>
 >>Greetings friends and allies, please read this and do what you can.
 >This is
 >>an organization/effort I am involved in -- no matter what your area of
 >>interest or passion or work, if we can create more democratic media on
 >this
 >>leve, it will make the work that all of us have to do easier, more
 >>democratic and will make social change happen sooner! Thanks for all
 >that
 >>you contribute!
 >>
 >>in peace
 >>Sheri
 >>
 >>Community Powered Radio
 >>308 27th Ave. E. Seattle, WA 98112
 >>Email: cpr@gurlmail.com
 >>Contact: Jeff Perlstein 329-6116
 >>
 >>ACTION ALERT
 >>
 >>Radio for All!!! Speak Up Now!!!
 >>
 >>PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD ENDS APRIL 12, 1999
 >>
 >>Dear Supporter of Democratic Media:
 >>
 >>After a 21-year ban, the Federal Communications Commission has finally
 >>re-opened the door to make Low-Power FM (LPFM) radio licenses
 >available.
 >>But as you might expect, there's a catch.
 >>
 >>If the FCC allows commercial LPFM and the auction of licenses,
 >under-served
 >>community groups and their neighborhoods will lose miserably to other
 >>interests with deeper pockets. Democracy needs more non-commercial
 >spaces,
 >>not more concession stands for the powerful.
 >>
 >>Public outcry, and a lot of it, may be the only way to make this
 >potential
 >>victory stick. The FCC is taking comments until April 12th on the
 >make-up of
 >>the new licensing regulations. This is a very rare opportunity to
 >>pro-actively influence the status of our publicly-owned airwaves.
 >>
 >>What You Can Do:
 >>
 >>* Write letters/email the FCC and demand legalization and prioritizing
 >>of non-commercial, low power, community-based FM radio (sign & send
 >sample
 >>on back or contact CPR for the email version; remember it's important

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>to use
>>the proper reference!)

>>
>>* Contact Community Powered Radio (CPR) in Seattle to join the growing
>>list of community groups, civic organizations and neighbors signing on
>to
>>support our "formal" presentation to the FCC in April. Add your voice
>to
>>those of the National Lawyers' Guild, FAIR, the California Green Party,
>and
>>many others! CPR can give a presentation to your organization on this
>>important right to communicate and also can provide materials for
>inclusion
>>in your organization's newsletter.
>>
>>* Get involved locally: CPR supports Northwest communities in making
>>low-power radio that serves the interests of their neighborhoods. We
>need
>>your input and energy to make group presentations, provide micro-radio
>>resources, and educate about the necessity for truly democratic media.
>>
>>Please be in touch.
>>
>>email: cpr@gurlmail.com phone: 329-6116)
>>
>>Federal Communications Commission
>>Attn: NPRM # FCC 99-6
>>445 12 Street, S.W.
>>Washington, D.C. 20554 (202) 418-0260
>>Email: wkennard@fcc.gov; sness@fcc.gov; hfurchtg@fcc.gov;
>mpowell@fcc.gov;
>>gtristan@fcc.gov; fccinfo@fcc.gov
>>
>>Re: NPRM # FCC 99-6, MM Docket # 99-25 & #95-25:
>>
>>I urge you to adopt rules for licensing Low Power FM radio that
>prioritize
>>the needs of under-served and under-financed communities. Your office
>has
>>the power and the mandate to ensure that ordinary people can claim a
>piece
>>of the pie that big corporations have dominated and controlled for
>years. I
>>am confident you agree that broad citizen access to information and
>culture
>>is at the heart of a democratic society.
>>
>>To support this vision, I urge you to legalize microradio with the
>following
>>concerns in mind:
>>
>>1. There should be completely non-commercial service. The current
>>radio spectrum is dominated by commercial media. LPFM licenses should
>go to
>>non-commercial community groups who want to use radio to communicate to
>the

>>constituents and their neighbors, not to make a profit.
>>
>>2. Licenses should be held locally, be non-transferable, affordable to
>>all communities, easy to apply for and limited to one per license
>holder;
>>they should NOT be businesses.
>>
>>3. Power levels should be up to 100 watts in urban areas and up to 250
>>watts in rural areas.
>>
>>4. NO secondary status should be allowed.
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>>5. Microbroadcast pioneers who have suffered government seizure and
>>fines should receive amnesty, have their property returned, and be
>>prioritized for new licenses.
>>
>>6. Problems, technical or otherwise, should be referred to the local
>>voluntary micropower organization for assistance or mediation (e.g. the
>Ham
>>radio model). The FCC should be the forum of last resort.
>>
>>7. LPFM must be included in the future of digital radio.
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>>8. If the FCC intends to license some commercial stations, they must be
>>licensed last. In this instance, there should be a 2 year "headstart"
>for
>>non-commercial licenses. The right of citizens to communicate is
>protected
>>by the Constitution and the FCC's mandate. The right to make money
>through
>>local radio is not a protection under the FCC's mandate.
>>
>>Thank you for your time and your consideration of these vital issues.
>>
>>Sincerely,

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Re MM Docket 99-25

The proposed LPFM rule is good. It is similar to what the FAA did for ultralight aircraft. Big media is too powerful & usually conservatively controlled. Small stations will help allow alternate ideas & opinions to be heard. I would like to bring the Pacifica (public) Radio <<http://www.pacifica.org/>> network to Las Vegas. I really liked Pacifica when I lived in California. But I have a very, very low budget to even try to make that work. It would have to start very small but also legal.

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